

GRAND RAPIDS, DEC. 9, 1884.

MINOR MICHIGAN MATTERS.

A Kalamazoo firm is shipping windmills to Australia.

The tugs in Manistee harbor are nearly all laid up for the winter.

Ladington has been presented with a piece of ground to be made into a park.

The failure of Ford Marontala, of Bay City, was made public on Saturday morning.

An enemy to canines scattered poison upon the streets of Yassar; result, twenty-five dead dogs.

Alex. McKay, of Muskegon, was sentenced on Saturday to three years at hard labor for embezzlement.

Mrs. Anne Gridley, of this State, has been promoted from an \$800 to \$900 clerkship in the Patent Office.

A new Roman Catholic church will be erected at Roscommon early in the spring at a cost of \$12,000.

Ex-Representative Peyton Ranney, of Kalamazoo, is an applicant for the position of Railroad Commissioner.

Hester Arnold Walker, one of the pioneers of Lucan, died at his home in the village of Leslie on Friday.

Four prisoners confined in the county jail at Hillsdale made their escape on Friday afternoon. This is the first escape from the new jail.

Smith, who sued the town of Sherwood, Branch County, for \$10,000 damages, arising from an accident on a defective bridge, gets a verdict of \$750.

Two weeks' union meetings held at Union City under the direction of Rev. J. D. Potter, the Massachusetts evangelist, were productive of very good results.

The number of teachers in attendance at the Wayne County Teachers' Association at Plymouth is increasing. The next meeting is to be held at Wayne on March 6 and 7.

About thirty-five students of the University are going to avail themselves of the opportunity to go to the cotton exposition on the private excursion arranged by S. A. Moran.

The Whithall whip and glove failure at Calumet continued to look worse and worse, the liabilities now footing up nearly \$50,000, while the available assets are less than \$10,000.

The furniture factory of W. E. Kimball & Son, of Adrian, was destroyed by fire last night. The loss is probably \$3,500, with \$1,100 insurance. The fire is believed to have been of incendiary origin.

The conductors of the faith cure at Manistee did not obey the order to leave town and were placed in jail on a warrant issued by prosecuting attorney Dovel, who was afraid that violence might be done.

Part of the remains of a man of the name of John McDonald, who disappeared nineteen years ago, have been discovered in Tupper Lake. It was supposed that he fell through a hole in the ice and this supposition will probably be proved correct.

The Invisible Steam Escape Cylinder Cook Company filed articles of association with the County Clerk Saturday at Jackson. The term of existence of the corporation is fixed at thirty years. The capital stock is \$100,000.

A fire occurred at Monroe in the "French-town" district Saturday, by which Mr. G. Schwitzer is out \$1,500. During the excitement a lad named Fonteyne was stabbed by another boy named Doyle. The gash is an ugly one.

Butterfield & Crable's saw mill, at Alpena, was completely burned Saturday evening. The loss is about \$40,000, including the lumber. The insurance on the mill is \$25,000. The lumber is fully insured. About 200,000 feet of lumber burned.

Frank M. Lamson, of Big Rapids, who was convicted last week on a charge of attempting to commit rape, is to have a new trial, on the ground that one of the jurors, who had been drinking, fell asleep during the trial. A new jury will be empaneled.

A young man working in the flouring mills at Port Huron, had a narrow escape Saturday. While at work his coat accidentally caught in some gearing, drawing him into the machinery, severely bruising his hand, arm, shoulder and face, before he could be extricated. No bones were broken.

Mrs. John Ballantine, one of the early settlers of the vicinity of Homer, whose family lives two-and-a-half miles west of that village, was found drowned in the water tank of the windmill at the homestead early Saturday morning. She has been suffering from mental aberration for some time.

The grain elevator at Dryden, operated by E. Bartlett, burned Saturday night. The fire was first discovered about 11:40, but its origin is unknown. A quantity of grain and about 60,000 pounds of evaporated apples were destroyed, the entire loss being about \$10,000, on which there is a partial insurance.

The following new star schedule has been arranged for the route from Boyne to Union, Mich.: Leaves Boyne Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays at 9 a. m., and arrives at Union by 12 m.; leave Union Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays in time to connect at Boyne with mail going east, and arrive in Boyne in three hours.

In the Circuit Court of Genesee County yesterday, Edgar O'Rourke, of Flint, pleaded guilty to a charge of forgery, and got two years at Jackson; Jas. F. Rose pleaded guilty to a like offense, and received a similar sentence; Thos. Ray, of Otisville, pleaded guilty to a charge of larceny, and got one year at Jackson. Court has adjourned.

A man by the name of Patrick Fitzgerald, who has been on a drunk for some time and was confined in jail in Edmore for drunkenness, committed suicide Friday evening by breaking his plate and cutting his throat with a piece of it, causing immediate death. He had the delirium tremens while confined. He was from the lumber camps and unknown at Edmore.

Harrison Sutton, a pioneer of Clinton county, committed suicide at his farm near St. Johns Saturday. He was at work, and not returning of night search was made for him. He was found Sunday morning in a swamp a mile from his home with his neck horribly mangled by a pair of sheep shears. He was a leading local politician and leaves a large family. Financial embarrassment probably led to the deed.

On Friday morning of last week, as the Emmet section gang on the line of the Chicago & Grand Trunk railway were going to their work, they found a man lying in front of his house on the track, at a point about one mile east of Emmet station. He was taken to the nearest house and on Saturday he revived sufficiently to tell the terrible tale of his experience. He said he was a passenger Thursday night on the west bound express, which is due here about 9:30 p. m., and that he made the acquaintance of two strange men on the train, who drugged him, robbed him of all the money he had (about \$24), and then took him to the platform of the car and threw him overboard. His name is Flanagan, and he says he had a sister in New York. She has been sent for, as it is probable he will not recover from the injuries received in being hurled from the car.

NOTED PEOPLE.

Maj. Gen. Hancock will retire from the army in February, 1885.

Gen. Geo. B. McClellan celebrated his 54th birthday last Wednesday.

Gen. Grant has now 1,500 pages of his history of the civil war written.

M. Pasteur will spend some time at Rio de Janeiro studying yellow fever.

Mr. Henry F. Gillig, of the American Exchange in Europe, has gone to New Orleans for a visit of a few weeks.

M. Paillillon, a French dramatic writer, is going to lampoon certain American residents of Paris in his forthcoming play.

BULLDOZED BY BOYS.

EXPERIENCES OF A N. Y. ADVERTISER.

He Wanted a Man and a Boy and Secured Three Hundred Responses at Once—A Sort of Monkey and Parrot Time.

[N. Y. Star.]

J. D. West & Co., manufacturers of lightning rods, weather vanes, and pumps, have their office at 40 Cortlandt street. In the Star the other day appeared the following:

BIG BOY with mechanical bent and level head wanted. J. D. West & Co., 40 Cortlandt st.

Mr. West sat in his office in the afternoon. He laughed outright when a reporter asked him if he had got a boy of the advertised requirements, and whether the boy could be seen.

"I wish you could have seen those boys and men," said Mr. West. "I live in East Orange, and generally get here about nine o'clock in the morning. When I got to Church street I found the street blocked with boys of all ages and sizes. I was in company with some friends, and when we caught sight of the crowd we imagined there had been either a fire, murder, or robbery. There were several policemen around, and one of my friends stepped up to one and asked him what the trouble was."

"West & Co. want a big boy with a bent head," the policeman replied, "and all these are boys think they've got what's wanted."

"I got to the front door, pulled out the key of the office, and opened the door. Well, I never saw anything like it. I was overwhelmed with boys. Some ran ahead of me, others jammed me against the wall, some climbed on my back, others caught me by my clothes. There must have been more than three hundred of them. I finally reached my office, and was able by main force to push out those who had entered. They had perched on the safe, the desks, tables, chairs and lounge. I threatened to send for the police if they did not get out. The young vagabonds gave a yell and charged those who were pressing forward. I selected the biggest boys, and told them to clear the place of the smaller boys. This was done in a short time, and then the big boys locked the front doors and took possession. Several men were in the multitude. I told them I could not employ them. After I had thinned the crowd I was confronted by nearly a hundred big boys. I took down their names, addresses and past occupation. Here is the list. It comprises machinists, telegraph operators, photographers, gasfitters, sewing machine makers, and almost everything else. As I dismissed them I told them that I would notify the one I wanted. I selected four, Thomas Sherlock was the one I had made up my mind to employ, as he seemed to be a bright, intelligent boy, and gave good references."

"I was just about making up my mind to write to him, when he should enter the office but Thomas Sherlock. Without waiting for me to speak, Sherlock laid on my desk a dozen gas burners with fixtures. "I got these," he said, "from some boys who stole them. They've robbed you all over." He gave the names of some boys who, he said, had stolen tools, pipes, fixtures and other property."

"After Sherlock left me," continued Mr. West, "I became alarmed at what he had told me. I began to look around the place. I found that I had been robbed, though not very extensively. I discovered that the boys had broken my model pump, destroyed every one of the vanes and destroyed all my patent ventilators. From the appearance of some of the heads of the lightning rods, I guess the boys must have had a tournament in the hall. Well, I scratched off Sherlock's name, and I have written to James Parker, of Pacific street, Brooklyn, to come and work for me. He is modest, and seemed in earnest."

"What kind of a boy did you have in mind when you described him as 'with a mechanical bent and level head?'"

Mr. West explained that the sort of youth he meant was one with a kind of Patent Office brain, a close mouth, and so level a head that he could climb to the spire of Trinity and fix a lightning rod there without getting dizzy."

A Brunette in the Surf.

[Philadelphia Times.]

Few women go into the surf at Long Branch. One dashing young woman, who is either superior to or unaccustomed to society's newest rules, is a gorgeous spectacle all in herself. She is a bewitching brunette, and comes down to the sands at eleven or thereabouts, covered from head to foot in a mantle of white Turkish stuff, relieved by broad, red stripes. She is accompanied by her French maid and a natty little Frenchman, who looks like a teacher of deportment, but really fills the office of "bathing man." She calls him Arsene. He wears knee-breeches, a tight, short jacket, silk hose, slippers without heels, and a jaunty skull cap, held in place by an elastic band. The color of his whole attire is sombre black.

The maid shades it with a parti-colored portable awning. Everything being ready the mistress throws off her mantle, tosses it to her maid servant, and stands a beautiful picture on the golden sands. She is encased in light red merino from her neck to her knees. Her arms and lower limbs are covered with silk, of a glove-like tightness. Her short tunic is edged with lace. Her lustrous black hair is unbound and floats out on the wind. Her bathing-man, at her command, lifts her up in his arms, and carries her with a stately step into the sea until he is knee-deep; then he suddenly plunges her under a big breaker. She comes up with a sputter and the usual feminine shriek, Arsene smiles and speaks to her assuringly.

He submerges her no more, but gently floats her over the waves for five or ten minutes, and then carries her out. The ready maid throws the capacious Turkish robe over the wet form, and Arsene once more takes up his charge and hurries with her into her own apartments at the hotel. The maid follows and assists her to make the toilet with which she will at night make men wonder and women envious. The lady is from Cincinnati. Her father made a sudden fortune in grain. She is his only child, and has been petted and indulged. She was educated in France and has only recently returned to this country.

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